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DUES AND BALLOTS

Statements of 1942 dues are enclosed. An early response to this notice will greatly relieve congestion in the offices of the publishers as well as in that of the Secretary-Treasurer; furthermore, it will insure your prompt receipt of the JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY and BACTERIOLOGICAL REVIEWS for 1942. We shall appreciate your cooperation.

Ballots for 1942 officers of the Society are also enclosed. Your prompt attention to this matter will likewise be appreciated. Members of the Nominating Committee are as follows:

Dr. T. M. Rivers, Chairman
Dr. Stanhope Bayne-Jones
Dr. W. M. Clark
Dr. E. B. Fred

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1941 ANNUAL MEETING

Time: December 29, 30, and 31

Place: Lord Baltimore Hotel, Baltimore, Maryland

"The Maryland Branch welcomes the members and friends of the Society to the Baltimore meeting. The Lord Baltimore Hotel (Headquarters) makes the following special rates to members and their guests applicable to the best rooms (all equipped with tub or shower):

\$3.00 for single room
\$5.00 for double room, with double beds
\$5.50 for double room, with single beds

"Reservations for such rooms should be made at once to the hotel management. Other good hotels nearby are the Southern Hotel and the Emerson Hotel. Further away (within $\frac{1}{2}$ mile of headquarters) are the Hotels Stafford and Belvedere."—B. Cohen

Accommodations for Graduate Students at Baltimore: "Bona fide graduate students will be housed at the headquarters hotel at \$1.25 per day in rooms with 4 or 5 cots. Such students must register first at the Society Registration Desk to obtain the desired accommodations. Delays can be avoided if reservation and certification from Dean or Department Head are sent in advance to Dr. Barnett Cohen, 710 North Washington Street, Baltimore, Maryland."—B. Cohen

Questions and suggestions concerning the scientific program should be sent to Program Chairman, Dr. Martin Frobisher, 615 North Wolfe Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

All matters concerning arrangements should go to the Local Committee Chairman, Dr. Barnett Cohen, 710 North Washington Street, Baltimore, Maryland.

Commercial and scientific exhibits are under the direction of Dr. C. L. Ewing, City Health Department, 1005 Municipal Office Building, Baltimore, Maryland.

Abstracts: October 31 is the dead-line for abstracts of papers to be presented at the Baltimore meeting. Please use the form sent you with the last issue of the News Letter when submitting titles and abstracts of papers to the Program Committee. Instructions given on the reverse side of the blank should be followed with care in order to insure your satisfaction with the printed abstract, as well as to help the Program Chairman, Dr. Martin Frobisher.

THIRD INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS FOR MICROBIOLOGY

A letter from the Treasurer of the Congress to the Secretary of the Society.

"Under the authorization of Dr. Rivers I am forwarding herewith a check of the Third International Congress for Microbiology for \$1395.25. This represents the balance of money of the Congress.

"You will recall that an agreement was reached in December, 1939 whereby this money was to be set aside for certain purposes in connection with future Congresses. This agreement was modified in December, 1940 whereby a certain sum was reserved for the organization of future Congresses. It is my personal opinion that we should arrive at a new understanding and free this sum of money from all entanglements. I believe that the Society has handled its funds very well in the past and that conditions in the future, especially with reference to Congresses, are so uncertain that the earmarking of this money might prove an embarrassment. I believe, however, that the Society should accept the money with the understanding that it would be willing to turn back an amount up to \$200.00 if it should become necessary to use

this amount for the organization of any future Congress.

"The Executive Committee of the Congress has not as yet acted to release these funds, but after a long conversation with Dr. Rivers I have no doubt but that the intent is to turn this money in without reservation except as above. Certain small additional sums may be received, but the total amount will not be great. The account has been almost dormant for the last six months."—Kenneth Goodner, Treasurer

LOCAL BRANCH NEWS

Maryland Branch: "Thursday, October 9, the Maryland Branch of the Society met at the Community House, Sears Roebuck and Company. Dinner was at 6:30 p.m. and the meeting began at 7:30 p.m. Two papers were given:

'Studies on the Morphology of Fusiform Organisms' by Dr. Myron S. Aisenberg, Associate Professor of Pathology and Bacteriology, School of Dentistry, University of Maryland.

'Rat Bite Fever' by Dr. Thomas M. Brown, Associate in Medicine, Johns Hopkins University."—Ruth M. Myers, Secretary

BOOK REVIEWS

LABORATORY GUIDE IN ELEMENTARY BACTERIOLOGY. M. S. Marshall. The Blakiston Company, Philadelphia (1941) 244 pages. \$1.75

"This book is attractively bound in flexible imitation leather; it has a permanent ring binding which permits it to lie flat when opened. A smooth, slightly cream-colored paper is used which takes both pencil and ink very well. Throughout most of the book the right-hand page is left blank for notes and drawings.

"The subject matter and laboratory directions are presented in six sections and an appendix. Section I is an introductory technic; section II: morphology; section III: physiology of bacteria; section IV: applied bacteriology; section V: serology; section VI: infection. The appendix contains lists of desk equipment, equipment for experiments, cultures, chemicals, culture media, reagents and references. These lists are particularly valuable to the teacher.

"Directions for each of the ninety-two experiments are preceded and followed by explanatory statements which set forth clearly the objectives and main points for consideration. These statements are intended to stimulate thought and to point out both the implications and limitations of the information which successful prosecution of the experiments should yield.

"At the end of each of the six sections is a series of questions covering not only the actual work done on the experiments, but the interpretation and significance of the results secured as well. These questions are designed to bring together in one place all of the information the student gains from lectures, reading, and laboratory work."—W. B. Sarles

MICROBIOLOGY FOR NURSES. Mary E. Morse and Martin Frobisher. W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia (1941) 466 pages. 6th edition. \$2.75

"This edition has been very largely rewritten. Those chapters dealing with phases of bacteriology in which there has been rather rapid advances are entirely re-written. As the title indicates the book is primarily directed toward the nursing profession. The book is well printed and nicely illustrated."—I.L. Baldwin

TEXTBOOK OF BACTERIOLOGY. E. O. Jordan and William Burrows. W. B. Saunders, Philadelphia (1941) 731 pages. 13th edition.

"The new edition of the old familiar 'Jordan' has been written by Dr. Burrows

of the University of Chicago. The book has been almost entirely re-written. In several instances the material has been rearranged and the emphasis has been directed even more definitely toward the public health and human disease aspects. There are several general chapters which will be of definite interest to anyone in any phase of bacteriology."—I.L. Baldwin

NEWS ABOUT OUR MEMBERS

The Theobald Smith Award in the medical sciences of the American Association for the advancement of science was presented on September 22 at the Chicago meeting to Dr. Herald R. Cox, of the Rocky Mountain Laboratory of the United States Public Health Service.

Dr. Francis C. Lawler resigned an appointment as Assistant Professor of Bacteriology, Hygiene, and Public Health at the University of Oklahoma to accept an Associate Professorship in the Department of Bacteriology and Pathology at the University of North Dakota, University Station.

Dr. Michael J. Pelczar, Jr. recently accepted a position as instructor in the Department of Bacteriology at the University of Maryland, College Park.

Dr. T. M. Rivers, was given an honorary degree on the occasion of the celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the University of Chicago, for his work on the viruses of human and animal diseases.

Stanford University has announced a gift of \$65,000 from the Rockefeller Foundation to finance a five-year program for the development of the electron microscope. It will be under the direction of a committee including Dr. E. W. Schultz.

Dr. Oscar B. Williams has left his position at the National Canners Association in Washington to accept a professorship in the Department of Botany and Bacteriology at the University of Texas, Austin.

Dr. C.-E. A. Winslow has been appointed Rosenberg lecturer in the Public Social Services at the University of California for the fall semester of 1941. The lectureship was established two years ago by the Rosenberg Foundation of San Francisco for the purpose of bringing to the University for one semester distinguished authorities on the public social services.

IN MEMORIAM

Leslie C. Frank
1886 - 1941

The death of Leslie C. Frank occurred on September 4. He was known to bacteriologists as the "father" of the Standard Milk Ordinance and Code of the United States Public Health Service, now in effect in some 800 municipalities in the United States. Mr. Frank was a graduate of the College of Engineering of Cornell University. In the early years of his service he studied methods of sewage disposal and for three years was engaged in malaria control in the South.

MISCELLANEOUS ITEMS

Military Surgeons Meeting: Among the many medical meetings of this year, one of the most timely and interesting is that of the Association of Military Surgeons of the United States to be held October 29 to November 1 at the Brown Hotel,

of the University of Chicago. The first was a study of the relationship between the physical and mental aspects of the human mind. The second was a study of the relationship between the physical and mental aspects of the human mind. The third was a study of the relationship between the physical and mental aspects of the human mind.

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Louisville, Kentucky.

All members of the medical profession are invited to attend as guests and it is particularly hoped that as many members of the Medical Defense Committees as possible will come.

To Sell: Volumes 33 to 40 of the JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY.

To Exchange: Volume 30 complete of the JOURNAL OF BACTERIOLOGY for Volume 20.

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